

Discovery Service Order and Message Outline



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The Search for Happiness~4  
 How to find satisfaction in life  
 Romans 3:10-26

*"Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled."*  
 Matthew 5:6 NIV

WHAT DOES RIGHTEOUSNESS MEAN?

**1. Righteousness is a relationship: Being \_\_\_\_\_ with God.**

*"The Good News shows how God makes people right with himself."* Romans 1:17 NCV

**2. Righteousness is a lifestyle: \_\_\_\_\_ right as God intends.**

*"...all who practice righteousness are God's true children."* 1 John 2:29 MSG

*"Righteousness is the road to life and path to immortality."* Proverbs 12:28 NIV

HOW GOD MAKES US RIGHT WITH HIMSELF:

**1. I can't make myself \_\_\_\_\_.**

*"There is not a righteous person on earth who always does what is right and never sins."* Ecclesiastes 7:20 NIV

*"No one can ever be made right in God's sight by doing what his law commands, because the more we know God's law, the clearer it becomes that we can't keep it."*  
 Romans 3:20 NLT

**2. God sent Jesus to pay for my \_\_\_\_\_.**

*"The wages of sin is death."* Romans 6:23 NIV

*"For all have sinned; we all fall short of God's glorious standard. Yet now God in his gracious kindness declares us not guilty. He has done this through Christ Jesus, who has freed us by taking away our sins. For God sent Jesus to take the punishment for our sins and to satisfy God's anger against us. We are made right with God when we believe that Jesus shed his blood, sacrificing his life for us."* Romans 3:23-25 NLT

*"God made Christ, who never sinned, to be the offering for our sin, so that we could be made right with God through Christ."* 2 Corinthians 5:21 NLT

*“God saves us, not because of righteous things that we’ve done, but because of his mercy.” Titus 3:5 NLT*

### **3. I accept by \_\_\_\_\_ what God did for me.**

*“We are made right in God’s sight when we trust in Jesus Christ to take away our sins. And we all can be saved in this same way, no matter who we are or what we have done.” Romans 3:22 NLT*

*“If you confess with your mouth that Jesus is Lord, and believe in your heart that God raised Him from the dead, you will be saved. For it is with your heart that you believe and are justified, and it is with your mouth that you confess and are saved.” Romans 10:9-10 NIV*

## **HOW TO MAINTAIN A SPIRITUAL APPETITE:**

### **1. I remind myself how much God \_\_\_\_\_ me.**

*“...pray that you have the power to understand how wide, how long, how high, and how deep God’s love really is. May you experience the love of Christ, though it is so great you will never fully understand it. Then you will be filled with the fullness of life and the power that comes from God.” Ephesians 3:18-19 NLT*

### **2. I stop filling up on \_\_\_\_\_.**

*“A wise person is hungry for truth while the fool feeds on trash.” Proverbs 15:14 NLT*

*“Is anyone thirsty? Come and drink—even if you have no money! Come, take your choice of wine or milk—it’s all free! Why spend your money on food that does not give you strength? Why pay for food that does you no good? Listen, and I will tell you where to get food that is good for the soul!” Isaiah 55:1-2 NLT*

### **3. I make knowing God my number one \_\_\_\_\_.**

*“O God, you are my God, earnestly I seek you; my soul thirsts for you, my body longs for you, in a dry and weary land where there is no water.” Psalm 63:1 NIV*

*“The thing you should want most is God’s kingdom and doing what God wants. Then all these other things you need will be given to you.” Matthew 6:33 NCV*

### **4. I get into God’s \_\_\_\_\_ every day.**

*“You must crave the pure spiritual milk [of the Word] so that you can grow into the fullness of your salvation. Cry out for this nourishment like a baby cries for milk!” 1 Peter 2:2 NLT*

*“All Scripture is God-breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness.” 2 Timothy 3:16 NIV*



1. Describe a time when you were really hungry or thirsty. What was it like to quench that appetite? Discuss what righteousness is and how to stay hungry for God and his Word.
2. Righteousness is both a relationship and a lifestyle. It is being in a right relationship with God. What can you do this week to remove any obstacles limiting your relationship with him? As a lifestyle, righteousness is living the way God wants us to live. How can you discern what God wants you to do and how do you distinguish God’s plans from your own?
3. Read Ecclesiastes 7:20. We can’t make ourselves righteous and we can’t keep God’s commandments all of the time. Do you believe God can forgive your worst sin? Why or why not?
4. Read Isaiah 55:1-2. Why do we often want to substitute the nutritious spiritual food that God offers with “junk food” that offers no satisfaction? What “junk food” would you like to eliminate from your life, and what might you enjoy that God tells us he will provide?
5. Read 1 Peter 2:2. Knowing God should be our number one goal. Therefore we need to crave knowing him like a baby craves milk. What is meant in this verse by “fullness of your salvation?” What happens to our spiritual health and our relationship with God if we neglect nourishing ourselves spiritually?
6. Read Titus 3:5. Where have you experienced God’s mercy most deeply in your life? Why is God’s mercy personally transforming?
7. Matthew 5:6 tells us to hunger and thirst for righteousness, for if we do, we will be fully satisfied. Why do you think this is true?

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